Senate Study Bill 1278 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION BYRESOLUTION BY CHAIRPERSON WHITVER) 1 A Resolution advising the legislative services agency of the reasons for the Senate's rejection of Senate 2 3 File 620. WHEREAS, Joint Rule 24.1 requires that if either 5 house rejects a redistricting plan submitted by the 6 legislative services agency that house shall convey the 7 reasons for such rejection to the legislative services 8 agency by resolution; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That Article III, 10 section 34 of the Constitution of the State of Iowa 11 states that "Each district so established shall be of 12 compact and contiguous territory. The state shall 13 be apportioned into senatorial and representative 14 districts on the basis of population"; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Iowa Code section 15 16 42.4(4) requires that districts shall be reasonably 17 compact in form to the extent consistent with the 18 requirements of population, district boundaries 19 coinciding with political subdivisions, and be of 20 convenient contiguous territory; and 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate requests 22 a second plan implementing the criteria established 23 in Article III, section 34 of the Constitution of 24 the State of Iowa and Iowa Code section 42.4(4), by 25 submitting a plan that better balances compactness with 26 the legally mandated population deviation.